

Miller & Rhoads. Miller & Rhoads. Saturday Bargains For Men Folks.

COOL LACE HALF HOSE. The window display will tell you the story—fifty cent open work lace effect Socks for 25c.

Men's Cool Soft Shirts 50c. Fashion Journals say the soft shirt or Neglige shirt will be "the thing" again this winter—if you buy now at August prices you can get extra good values.

Collarless Cambric Night Shirts 50c. Made of plain Cambric or corded Madras, both good light weight materials a really good 75c worth.

A Great Many Fine Shirts \$1.00. We are showing some very exceptionally good Summer Madras and fine Cheviot shirts in dainty, stylish effects at \$1.00.

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Social and Personal

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Dickson will leave to-day for Crozet. Mrs. Portia Robinson and her mother, Mrs. Robert Murrey, have returned from Atlantic City.

Miss Annie Guiz, who has been spending the last three weeks in Amelia county, is expected home to-day. Mr. James A. Grigg is visiting his daughter, Mrs. M. A. Samuelson, of Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Ernest Young and son have just returned from Europe after a delightful journey of two months and a half. Mr. Cabell Flournoy, who has been a patient for several weeks at the Memorial Hospital, is now on a visit to her parents in Charlotte county.

Miss Mabel Monaghan has returned to Philadelphia to resume her duties as a teacher in the Foulke and Long Island Institute.

Mr. Thomas Bolling is visiting her son, Mr. Randolph Bolling, at Allegheny Hotel, Goshens, Va. Mr. Bolling, who has been ill, is improving.

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Mr. Phillip Brinshaw, Jr., is the guest of his uncle, Mr. John Clark, at "Banister Lodge," in Halifax county.

Miss Mary and Addie Ervin are visiting their father in Chicago. Miss Bessie Cumler left last week for Raleigh, N. C., where she is visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cumbea, Miss Mabel Cumbea and Master Willard Cumbea have returned to their home in Raleigh, N. C., after a pleasant visit to friends in this city.

Mr. Henry Pleasant and her son, Mr. Henry Pleasant, who have been residing for the past year in Weldon, N. C., will shortly return to their city and will occupy the late residence of Mr. Peter Crews, Mrs. Pleasant's father, on Church Hill.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN - BY Harry Tucker

We wish to arise to a question of personal privilege, and in doing so to extend the thanks of many of our citizens to the City Council for the... (text continues)

It gives us extreme pleasure to note that Mr. Chairman of the Market Committee, and sub-chairman of the Street Committee, is going to be the... (text continues)

GALVESTON AND BENDARD

The Cruiser and Dredge to Go to Norfolk September 4th. The cruiser Galveston will soon be towed to the Norfolk yard to be completed.

Both are about half completed, and the work of finishing them will be done by the skilled workmen at the Norfolk yard in short order.

These points will depend on whether or not there is much general repair work to be done between the time the Galveston and the Bendard arrive and the end of the year.

Goos Back Home. Mr. George Henry Roberts, one of the oldest of our new motorists of the Passenger and Power Company, left town yesterday for his home in New York.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Belle Bryan Day Nursery on Monday, August 31st, at 10:30 A. M.

Animal Stories for our Boys and Girls. The Piggy That Aspired. Once on a time a piggy strolled far from his friends and fold.

Went Trotting Back. This piggy trotted as he came a farewell glance behind, and passed from out his pen into the open.

Alas poor piggy was turned down by all society in town; He tried to sing, but his appeal It only ended in a squeal.

Mr. Hester, who wanted to save the city from all loss, moved to reconsider, and on the motion made by Mr. Burton to make the damages \$150, the committee voted unanimously.

Mr. Snyder agreed finally to the action of the committee, and the result is that the work will be pushed forward at once, with the prospect of speedy completion.

Mr. John Porterfield, of Warham, Va., is visiting his family in Richmond.

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CHAPTER XI.—CONTINUED. "Well, I'll begin. My calculation, as I warned you, may not be quite exact. The cryptogram contains 213 characters. We can divide them up as follows, beginning from the skull and reading forward in the ordinary way:

Skull occurs 8 times. Fish occurs 12 " Moon occurs 3 " Cannon occurs 22 " Flag occurs 12 " Telescope occurs 17 " Lighthouse occurs 11 " Man's head occurs 17 " Barrel occurs 6 " Ship occurs 10 times. Ring's head occurs 11 " Cross swords occur 13 " Anchor occurs 23 " Galleon occurs 5 " Blowing whole occurs 4 " Knife occurs 8 " Cross occurs 18 " Figures 15 occur " Plumes 12 occur " This gives us twenty-two separate

symbols. Our alphabet contains twenty-six letters. Presuming Juan wrote in English he would hardly use all the letters in a short message. X, z, v, and probably q would not be needed much. In whatever language he wrote, the cryptogram is very short.

"Your reasons for that statement, my wise youth?" said Clive. "At once. The symbols cannot represent separate words. I have omitted to count the 'x' and 'z', for that looks like the 'x' and 'z' of the alphabet on the face of it. The symbols cannot be words, for how could the same words be repeated twenty-three times, as in the anchor's case, and similarly in the case of the cannon?"

"True, old chap, and a clincher," laughed Clive. "Therefore they must each represent some letter, and therefore the writing is short. Call the total number of letters 213, and allow the average of letters 213 forty-two times, with three over. I am sure there cannot be more than fifty words in the cryptogram."

Clive nodded and lighted another cigar. "Now to proceed," he went on. "Hector, we'll start backwards. The moon, flag, ship, and 132 occur least frequently, and letters seldom frequent in written and spoken English are v, p, y, z, and also b on odd occasions. They come to three. The galleon series, comes to be m and f.

"To continue, the letter occurring most frequently is e, another is t, and s, and t are fond of coming together. Thousands of words begin at s, t, star, sting, etc., and end at t or a. Look at the parchment. The cannon appears twenty-two times, the anchor twenty-three. Which of these is e? Examine carefully. You will notice how frequently the anchor and the ring occur. The anchor and ring rarely occur together, and never meet. S and t are brothers, so to speak, and in my view we must call the cannon e, and the nigger and anchor st.

"And now we want more vowels, but before that there is another letter that appears seventeen times, and still another eighteen times. These will be consonants. We fancy we have found s and t, and we need not worry about v, p, y, z, and also b. I give the p and t. Call the cross d, then, and the man's head r.

"We are narrowing the question down now. The fish and the telescope occur equal with twelve, and the cross swords equal with eleven. The stag's head comes with eleven repetitions. Which is a, o, g, or h? G and h, like a and t, are fond of each other. Do any symbols except the nigger and anchor frequency? Well, chance it, and call them g and h.

"Now we are left with the telescope, skull, fish, and the figure 15. Telescope and fish are certain to be vowels, and fish are certain to be vowels, and fish are certain to be vowels. Is it v, p, y, z, x, y, m, or n? M or n certainly. That brings us to three symbols. A and g are more common, as a rule, than f. Call the coffin l.

Hector paused to take a sip from his glass, and the baronet gave him a nod of approval. "Next move, please, old chap." "To make our alphabet. So far we have done this, though I have wrong. I have written down: a o g h l m n p q r s t v y z x y m or n M or n certainly. That brings us to three symbols. A and g are more common, as a rule, than f. Call the coffin l.

Hector added the letter to his list, which was now as follows: Fish 12, Telescope 17, Flag 12, Cannon 22, Ship 10, Ring's head 11, Cross swords 13, Anchor 23, Galleon 5, Blowing whole 4, Knife 8, Cross 18, Figures 15, Plumes 12. Clive examined the list. It probably contained many minor blunders, for contained many minor blunders, for contained many minor blunders.

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...The... Gans-Rady Company

Offers To-day (Saturday) the following specials:

- Men's Suits that sold up to \$15.00, at... \$ 7.00 Each
Men's Suits that sold up to \$25.00, at... \$14.75 Each
Men's Trousers that sold up to \$5.00, at... \$ 2.95 Pair
Boys' Knee Pants Suits that sold up to \$3.00, at... \$ 1.35 Each
Boys' Knee Pants Suits that sold up to \$5.00, at... \$ 2.45 Each
Men's Neglige Shirts that sold up to \$2.00, at... 89c Each
Men's Neglige Shirts that sold up to \$4.00, at... \$ 1.45 Each
Men's Black Half-Hose that sold at 25c, at 2 pair for... 25c

Straw Hats.

Every Hat in the house is included, even the celebrated Knox Hats. All Straw Hats that sold up to \$1.50, choice... 25c
All Straw Hats that sold up to \$2.50, choice... 85c
All Straw Hats that sold up to \$5.00, choice... \$1.45

Gans-Rady Company

DAILY FASHION HINTS LADIES' ONE-PIECE CORSET COVER. Dainty lingerie is the coveted possession of every woman, and she who will devote a few minutes each day to some bit of "pick up" work will soon find herself the possessor of garments that before she had felt she could neither afford to buy nor had the time to make.



No. 6,031—Sizes for 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46-inch bust measure. On receipt of 10 cents this pattern will be sent to any address. All orders must be directed to THE LITTLE FOLKS PATTERN CO., 78 Fifth Avenue, New York. When ordering please do not fail to mention number.

HARCREAVES' SHOWS

Appear Here September 5th and in Manchester September 7th. Clowns have delighted people since the world began. Ancient kings had their jesters, whose only occupation in life was to drive dull care away. On the few days these men ran riot and on the one that created the happy laughter was called the happy clown.

Mr. Clyde W. Saunders, the well-known printer, whose establishment is already one of the most complete in the South, will in a few days be ready to do work at his new and enlarged place, at Twelfth and Cary Streets.

PLUMBERS LEAVE. Delegates Go To-Day to the Convention at Atlantic City. The Richmond delegates to the Plumbers Convention, which meets in Atlantic City next week, will leave here to-night, over the York River route.

Wires Damaged. Superintendent Thompson and his men in the Fire-Alarm Office were busy all day yesterday repairing damages done by the falling of an electric light wire on the fire-alarm wires early yesterday morning. A number of the machines were rendered helpless for a time.

BURNETT'S EXTRACT OF VANILLA Has taken gold medals against all other brands.



W. L. DOUGLAS \$3.50 SHOE MADE IN THE U.S.A. The Testimony of the Wearers of W. L. Douglas Shoes is Conclusive and Convincing. W. S. Daniels, Washington Correspondent of the St. Louis Republic, writes: "I am a constant wearer of W. L. Douglas shoes. Have always found them durable and easy fitting. I receive more value for my money than in other makes."